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SUBJECT: PROSPECTIVE CHOU SHU-K'AI VISIT TO WASHINGTON

1. I MET OVER LUNCH OCTOBER 23 WITH CHOU SHU-K'AI (S. K. CHOW, FORMER ROC AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON, NOW MINISTER-WITHOUT-PORTFOLIO) AT THIS REQUEST TO DISCUSS HIS FORTH-COMING ROUND-THE-WORLD TRIP FOR WHICH HE DEPARTS THIS COMING WEEKEND.

2. THE PRIMARY PURPOSE IS TO REVIEW GROG REPRESENTATION IN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES TO DETERMINE WHICH DO AND DO NOT HAVE UTILITY AND HOW REPRESENTATION CAN BE MORE EFFECTIVE. THIS WILL PROCEED ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS.

3. CHOU SHU-K'AI THEN PROCEEDS TO NEW YORK ARRIVING ABOUT NOVEMBER 5 FOR WHAT HE DESCRIBED AS MOSTLY PERSONAL BUSINESS AND MID-NOVEMBER HE WILL BE VISITING WASHINGTON AS CHINESE EMBASSY HAS ALREADY BEEN INFORMED. HE WOULD LIKE TO GET TOGETHER WITH BILL BLEYSTEN AND ALSO TALK AT LEAST BRIEFLY WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY HABIB. ALTHOUGH HE DOES NOT SEEM TO HAVE SPECIFIC ITEMS OF BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, I COMMEND HIM TO HABIB AS A SHARP AND FAIRLY OBJECTIVE OBSERVER.

4. I TRIED CHOU OUT ONCE MORE ON THE IDEA OF SOME KIND
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OF EFFECTIVE GOP-GROC RELATIONSHIP FOLLOWING GOP DIPLOMATIC

RECOGNITION OF PEKING. HE CONTINUED TO INSIST AS IN THE
PAST THAT THIS IS A SPECIAL CASE, THAT GROUPOUR WILL NOT BE
WILLING WORK THINGS OUT ON JAPANESE OR ANY OTHER MODEL BUT
WILL "MAKE DIVORCE COMPLETE AND FINAL" IF GROUP DEMONSTRATES
THAT IS WHAT IT WANTS BY RECOGNIZING PEKING.
AS WE HAVE COMMENTED BEFORE, THIS MAY NOT BE GROUPOUR
POSITION IF AND WHEN FACED WITH FACT ACCOMPLISH BUT THEY
APPEAR INTENT ON PLAYING THE MATTER OUT THIS WAY RIGHT UP
TO THE BRINK, PRESUMABLY TO DETER MARCOS FROM HIS APPARENT
INTENTIONS.
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